

Proclamation Presented to

The Eye of the Pacific Guide Dogs Foundation

WHEREAS, the Eye of the Pacific Guide Dogs Foundation is committed to a strong, encouraging and practical philosophy relating to mobility and effective communication for the blind; and

WHEREAS, the Eye of the Pacific Guide Dog Foundation is celebrating 55 years of service and have allocated a total of seventy-nine dogs since its inception; and

WHEREAS, the Eye of the Pacific Guide Dog Foundation provides programs and services such as a Guide Dog training program; graduate services; orientation and mobility services; and electronic aids program; and

WHEREAS, the Eye of the Pacific Guide Dog Foundation is celebrating "Guide Dog Awareness Day" on April 27, 2011; and

WHEREAS, "Guide Dog Awareness Day" is to broaden public awareness about guide dogs and to reaffirm continued commitment to improving accessibility for the full inclusion for all persons with disabilities in everyday activities;

THEREFORE, I, NEIL ABERCROMBIE, Governor, and I, BRIAN SCHATZ, Lieutenant Governor of the State of Hawai'i, do hereby proclaim April 27, 2011, as

"GUIDE DOG AWARNESS DAY"

in Hawai'i, to recognize the Eye Dog of the Pacific Guide Dog Foundation's efforts to improve the lives of others and advocate for the protection of rights for the visually-impaired.

DONE at the State Capitol, in the Executive Chambers, Honolulu, State of Hawai'i, this second day of March 2011.

NEIL ABERCROMBIE

Governor, State of Hawai'i

BRIAN SCHATZ

Lt. Governor, State of Hawai'i